

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
ASSEMBLY, No. 459

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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Sponsored by Assemblyman ROMA

1 AN ACT concerning grants provided under the Youth Transitions to  
2 Work Partnership and related federal programs and amending and  
3 supplementing P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-1 et seq.).  
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
6 of New Jersey:  
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8 1. (New section) In the case of any grant awarded by the Youth  
9 Transitions to Work Partnership to a consortium pursuant to sections  
10 5, 6 or 7 of P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-5, 34:15E-6 or 34:15E-7),  
11 each participant in the consortium, including any participating  
12 employer, business or trade organization, labor organization or  
13 institution of higher education or other educational institution, shall be  
14 eligible to serve as the fiscal agent for the consortium. Each grant  
15 shall be awarded to a consortium for a term of two or more years, and  
16 the grant shall be based on an agreement that a program providing  
17 each student with the option of post-secondary education linkages  
18 pursuant to section 7 of P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-7) shall be  
19 implemented during the term of the grant. Applications for grants  
20 shall be accepted at any time throughout each program year and grants  
21 shall be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis to applicants that  
22 are determined by the committee to meet all of the requirements of  
23 P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-1 et seq.) and have a reasonable likelihood  
24 of creating new apprenticeship programs or linkage programs for  
25 existing or new apprenticeship programs, except that if the committee  
26 finds that the total value of all grants it will provide during a program  
27 year will exceed the funds available to the partnership, the committee  
28 shall award the grants only to the applicants it determines are most  
29 likely to create the apprenticeship or linkage programs pursuant to  
30 section 5 of P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-5). The committee shall seek  
31 the assistance of the Workforce Investment Boards in each local area  
32 to bring together employers, business and trade organizations, labor

**EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

1 organizations and institutions of higher education and other  
2 educational institutions to establish consortia in each local area and  
3 shall consult with the Workforce Investment Board where a  
4 consortium is located before awarding a grant to the consortium. The  
5 provisions of this section shall be disclosed in writing to each  
6 employer, business or trade organization, labor organization or  
7 institution of higher education or other educational institution  
8 participating in a consortium which applies for a grant from the Youth  
9 Transitions to Work Partnership.

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11 2. Section 7 of P.L.1993, c.268 (C.34:15E-7) is amended to read  
12 as follows:

13 7. Each consortium which is awarded a grant from the partnership  
14 shall establish a program which provides each participating student  
15 with the option of linkages from apprenticeship to [subsequent]  
16 post-secondary education. Grants may also be provided to  
17 consortiums pursuant to this section to create new linkage programs  
18 for existing apprenticeship programs. To implement the provisions of  
19 this section, each consortium shall include, among the participating  
20 educational institutions, one or more institutions of higher education  
21 and may include other appropriate post-secondary education  
22 institutions. Each participating educational institution in a consortium  
23 which is awarded a grant shall develop or modify the classroom  
24 curriculum for apprentices to make the classroom training applicable  
25 toward associate and baccalaureate degrees. In addition, participating  
26 educational institutions shall develop[, to the extent feasible,]  
27 articulation in post-secondary programs which provides participating  
28 apprentices with options to obtain associate or baccalaureate degrees  
29 and, to the extent feasible, progress from apprenticeable trades to  
30 professional occupations. The purpose of the program is to enhance  
31 the prestige of education for skilled technical work by providing  
32 front-line workers with opportunities for lifelong vocationally-relevant  
33 learning and advancement.

34 (cf: P.L.1993, c.268, s.7)

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36 3. (New section) No subgrant shall be provided to any local  
37 partnership in this State pursuant to section 215(b) of the  
38 "School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-239 (20  
39 U.S.C. §6145(b)) or under any other federal school-to-work program,  
40 unless the Apprenticeship Policy Committee reviews the application of  
41 the local partnership and determines that the provisions of the  
42 application for the subgrant includes provisions which ensure that no  
43 funds from the subgrant will be used in a manner which:

44 a. Will in any way replace, supplant, compete with or duplicate  
45 any apprenticeship program which is registered by the Bureau of

1 Apprenticeship and Training of the U.S. Department of Labor;

2 b. Is inconsistent with any provision of section 601 of the  
3 "School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994," Pub.L. 103-239 (20  
4 U.S.C. §6231).

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6 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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11 Concerns Youth Transitions to Work Partnership and related federal  
12 grants.